# SPEAKERSHIP RACE ON IN EARNEST.

Dickinson, Whitecotton and Blair Conceded to Be in the Lead at Present.

#### IT IS A GOOD-NATURED CONTEST

Absence of Outside Logrolling Noticeable-Claims of Candidates Show It to Be Anybody's Race for First Ballot.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Jefferson City, Mo., Dec. 21.-The contest for the speakership was greatly cleared up to-day by W. D. Hamilton's announcement of his withdrawal from the contest. This gave the candidacy of J. I. Blair a marked impetus. Blair and Hamilton were from the same congressional district, the Third, and they were worldng directly against each other. Hackney of Jasper County, though he did not announce his withdrawal, was considered out of the race by his Weolfolk of Lacoln, held their districts accure. The leafers were generally conceded to be Dickinson and Whitecotton,

with Blair third. All three of the candidates worked hard during the day, assisted by men from their home districts. Dickinson and Whitecotton have headquarters across the hall from each other on the second floor of the Madison House. Whitecotton's forces worked behind closed doors, while Dickinson's

doors were wide open.

In the contest a noticeable feature is the absence of logrolling from the outside. Governor-elect Dockery is taking no part. If Governor Stephens is espousing the cause of any cardidate the fact does not appear. Ex-Governor Stone is invisible. From all these gentlemen statements come to the effect that they are impartial observers. The candidates themselves are friendly toward each other. Even among their ad-herents an ill-natured word is seldom heard, though the contest has reached its

Candidates are working on the members congressional districts, as the Repre-tatives mass, caucus and vote by

The Democratic caucus which will select the Speaker of the House will contain eighty-eight Democrats and one Populist, and forty-six votes will be necessary to a and forty-six votes will be necessary to a choloe. Here are the estimates submitted to The Republic by Dickinson, Whitecot-ten and Blair at 19 o'clock this evening. The estimates in each case give the vote which the candidate says he believes will be cast on the first ballot at the caucus. The estimate is given by congressional dis-

By Dickinson.

#### VERY COLD IN THE WEST.

Denver Reported 18 and Leander, Wy., 28 Below Zero.

Denvet, Colo., Dec. 31.—Eighteen degrees below zero was the temperature recorded at the Government weather station in this city and at Cheyenne, Wyo., at 8 a. m. to-day. The coldest place in the country is Lander, Wyo., where 28 below zero was recorded. Lander, Wyo., where 28 below zero was re-corded.

The snowfall has ceased and warmer weather to-morrow is predicted for the Bocky Mountain region.

OMAHA'S FIRST REAL WINTER.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 31.—Last night's storm continued until a late bour this morning. All trains eastbound were from one to two hours late, principally on account of having to face the strong wind.

In the city all street cars were run with-

out trailers.

The high wind played havor with electric light wires and gangs of linemen are out all over the city to-day.

SEVERE SNOWSTORM IN IOWA.

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 31.-Jowa experienced her first severe snowstorm of the season last night. It began with a strong wind at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon and continued with a light fall of snow until 6 this morning. It covered the entire State. Trains are delayed somewhat. The thermometer registered 8 below at 4 o'clock.

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#### Advertised in to-day's Republic. FEARFUL MINE EXPLOSION.

Escape of 500 Men Cosidered Almost a Miracle-Two Burned.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Dec. 3i.—A heavy explosion of gas occurred in the Hollenback mine of the Lehigh and Wilkesbarre Coal Company to-day, It set fire to the woodwork, but was quickly extinguished. Five hundred men were at work at the time. All succeeded in getting out safely with the exception of two, who were hadly burned. They are Ignatz Crary, miner, burned internally, and a laborer, name not given, badly burned. Crary was taken to Mercy Hospital in a dying condition. The mine is one of the most gaseous in the anthracito region, and, when the explosion occurred, it was at once concluded that there had been loss of life. When the men reached the surface they rejoiced ever their escape. sbarre, Pa., Dec. 31.-A heavy explo-

98 Help Wanted Ads Printed in to-day's Republic.

### "SPORT," PATRIARCH DOG OF DE HODIAMONT, DEAD.

"Sport," the patriarch dog of Hodiamont, inviolable rule, the home of his master, Frank Smith, No

Year in and year out Sport guarded bis master's house at night and in the day-time played with the children of the family and their small neighbors. He would never remain in the house at night after he suw the family preparing to retire. He seemed to understand that his place then was outdeers on guard, and nothing could induce him to remain quietly inside, no matter how stormy or cold the night.

He was a regular clutch-sper. Sunday mornings he would invariably follow the family to their house of worship, and only after long and severe discipline was be laught that he must not enter the building. ug. He would patiently wait outside until the family appeared and then harry home as fast as be could ron.

is dead, and there is widespread grief on that account throughout that suburb.

The animal, a Scotch collie, had lived at the permitted to go outdoors. Mrs. Smith Sunday morning the faithful old dog went to his mistress and asked, dog-fashion, to be permitted to go outdoors. Mrs. Smith opened the door and let him out. A few minutes later she heard a low whine at the home of his insafer, Frank Smith, So opened the door and let him out. A few minutes later she heard a low whine at narrow-gauge steam railroad gave way to the door. Sport was lying on the threshold, the Suburban electric line; at a time when there were but six houses in what is now a thickly-populated neighborhood.

do seemed to afford him any relief. At hist Joseph Smith, the youngest boy of the family, assisted by Louis Masden, a neigh-bor of his own age, helped the old dog to a resting-place in the kitchen, where he peacefully died an hour or so later.

The boys and little Ethel Smith were The boys and little Ethel Smith were overcome with grief. Ethel cried nearly all day. Vesterday morning it was decided to give Spart decent bedal. Joseph and Louis dag a grave in the back yard, under the direction of Mrs. Smith: the execution was lined with excelsion, and Sport was tenderly inid away. Most of the children of the neighborhood and some of the older ones witnessed the furnal.

as witnessed the burial. "I did not have a coffin made for Sport," ald Mrs. Smith yesterday, "though my as fantly appeared and then harry home as fant as he could run.

For two years the animal had been in falling health, and for the last three weeks had been so ill that he could move about only with the greatest difficulty. So feells was be that Mrs. Smith Induced him to sleep in the house, breaking his hitherto one to take the place of Sport."

# al, was considered out of the race by his sellow-candidates. Stewart of Knox and BOY FINDS THE REVOLVER WHICH KILLED RICHARDSON.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

St. Joseph, Mo., Dec. 21.—The revolver with which Frank W. Richardson was killed has been found. It was picked up by Carl Rickoff, a boy, a block from the Richardson home, in front of the residence of George Cormany. The boy at once turned the weapon over to the authorities, and it has correct up a core. and it has opened up a new avenue for work in the solution of the emysterious murder. The revolver was at first identified as one belonging to Stewart Fife, son of as one belonging to Stewart Fife, son of the business partner of Richardson, but R. D. Curran, the jeweler, who sold Fife a revolver of similar make a few weeks ago, found that the revolver picked up by the boy did not contain the spring he had made and placed in it.

The revolver found by the boy had one chamber empty, and the bullet that killed Richardson is of the same caliber. There is no doubt in the minds of the officers about it being the same weapon. It had fallen in the snow. The attention of the detectives now at work on the case has been directed to that one clew, and they feel confident, when the owner of the revolver has been found, they will have the slayer of Richardson.

Another sensational incident of to-day

was the evidence of Bessie Phillis, the ser-vant girl in the Richardson home. She told the Coroner that George Crowley, the slient partner in the Fife-Richardson Mercantile Company, who is a wealthy farmer living a few miles from the city, was a frequent visitor at the Richardson home when Rich-ardson was away from home. Crowley was there the day before Christmas and took dinner with the family. He left the house at 8 o'clock in company with Richardson and has stated that he was in a business house downtown at the time of the murder. Mrs. Richardson's Many Visitors.

Beasie Phillis said that Mrs. Richardson also had other visitors in the absence of her huband. Charles Stanton, superintendent of the electric light plant, who has had a great deal to do with the affairs of the family, being the go-between for Richardson and Goldie Whitehead, was also a visitor at the Richardson house when Richardson was away, the servant said. She had seen Crowley and Mrs. Richardson playing cardm in the room in which Richardson was afterwards killed, with the lights turned down. The light was not sufficient for them to se how to play the game, she said.

Stewart Fife was also among the visitors who called on Mrs. Richardson while her husband was awa?.

Mrs. Richardson did not testify to-day, although it is stated that her condition is not serious. Her physician has stated that she has not sufficiently recovered from the shock to appear before the Coroner, and he is borne out by the relatives of the woman. Constable Brooks summoned her last Saturday to appear before the Coroner, but she did not go.

John D. Richardson of Chicago, the rich brother of the dead man, has made a request of the Prosecuting Attorney that Mrs. Richardson he shielded as much as le possible. At the time the request was made Richardson shid he was satisfied the widow knew nothing about the murder more than she has already made known, and that she was innocent of all complicity in the crime. Beasie Philifs said that Mrs. Richardson dee had other visitors in the absence of he

# OMAHA OFFERS A REWARD OF \$25,000.

City Authorities Anxious to Re lieve Cudahy of Fear of Reprisals From Abductors.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 21.-At a specially resolution offering a reward of \$5,000 for the apprehension and conviction of the desperadoes who abducted Edward Cudahy Jr., on the night of December 18. For the arrest and conviction of one, the resolution provides a reward of \$8,000; for two, \$15, 000 will be paid, and the whole amount is offered for the three principals.

The members of the Council did not deliberate long, as the vote by which the resolution was passed was unanimous. The Council also asked Mr. Cudahy to withdraw his offer of a reward of an equal amount for the capture of the criminals. The object of the city's offer is largely to relieve Mr. Cudahy and his family of the fear of reprisals from the bandits and to remove from the police and detectives the restraint they have felt in trailing the bandits on ac-count of the very trying position in which Mr. Cudaby has been placed. The action of the Council is generally commended by the citizens of the alter. citizens of the city.

Mayor Moores, speaking of the matter to-day, made the following statement: "Bullets or no bullets, I intend to offer a reward for the arrest of the Cudahy kid-napers. This case has come to a pass where t is the public's duty to step in and reliev terrible strain under which the Cudahy family is at present. That last letter from the kidnapers puts a serious coloring on the case. It was not right to expect Mr. Cuda-hy to continue his offer of \$5,000 reward for the arrest and conviction of the men who stole his boy."

#### NEW YEAR'S HONOR LIST.

Queen of England Bestows Titles and Ribbons on Many.

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London, Dec. 3L.—The New Year's honor list includes the names of Hiram S. Maxim, who was born in Maine, and who is the inventor of the automatic system of firearms. He is knighted. Sir Alfred Milner, the administrator of Scuth Africa, is made a Knight Grand Cross of the Bath. Colonel Kitson, formerly commanding at Kingston College, and Lieutenant Colonel Irwin, secretary of the Canadian patriotic fund, are made Companions of the Order of St. Michael and St. George and Sir Samuel Griffith is made a Privy Councilor.

In addition, there is a long list of Australians prominent in the federation who have received minor honors.

Colonel Jekyli, Secretary of the British Commission at the Paris Exposition, is made a Knight Commander of St. Michael and St. George, Clive Bingham, an attache of the Pekin Legation, and C. W. Campbell, Vice Consul at Shangbal, who both served with Vice Admiral Seymour's relief column, are made Companions of St. Michael and St. George, as are several other British Consuls in China.

No peers are created, and only a few persons are made Baronets or Knights, On the whole, it is an uninteresting list, with the exception of the foregoing. Mr. Edmund Barton, formerly Attorney General of New South Wales, is also made a Privy Councilor.

#### BOY STABBED TO DEATH.

John Bartlett Uses a Knife to Kill Harry Doan.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Pittsfield, Ill., Dec. 31.—John Bartlett, 17

years of age, stabled Harry Doan, 19 years, through the liver and lungs last evening, from which effect Doan died. It seems that Bartlett had been crossing the field where Doan's cattle were feeding, taking his dogs with him and the dogs had scared the cattle and Doan had repeatedly asked him to quit. Yesterday affernoon about 4 o'clock as Hartlett was going through the field Doan met him and they got into a controversy which came to blows. Bartlett pulled out his knife and stabbed him as stated above. Doan filed about 8 o'clock. Bartlett came to Pittsfield and surrendered himself to the Sheriff and now is in the County Jail. evening, from which effect Doan died. It

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# CHARGE THAT SHE NEGLECTED CHILD.

Neighbors Cause Mrs. Carpenter to Be Sent to City Hospital for Observation-Her Denial.

Because it was stated that she had aflowed her little daughter. Belle, to run ground the yard naked, Mrs. Nellie Carpenter of No. 811 Lufayette avenue, was taken in charge by the police last night and Mrs. Maggle Smith of No. 1799 South Eighth street and Mrs. Olga Schaefer of No. 815 Lafayette avenue, neighbors of Mrs Carpenter, state that on several occasions she has allowed her daughter, who is but 2 years old, to go about insufficiently cladthat she has been destroying her furniture and using it for kindling wood. A. J. Anderson, her father, of No. 818 Soulard street, also says that Mrs. Carpenter has been acting strangely, and requested that she be put under observation.

Mrs. Carpenter for the last six months has been separated from her husband, George Carpenter of No. 2455 De Kaib street, who is employed by the American Refrigerator Company. Her father thinks that her mind has been affected as a re-

sult of this separation.

Mra. Carpenter's daughter accompanied her to the hospital, where is was found that the child had symptoms of diphtheria.

When seen last night Mrs. Carpenter said that her daughter had been only once ex-posed to the weather without clothing.
"This was an accident," she said. The other statements concerning her she also

#### PASTOR THREATENED.

Doctor Peters Warned He Will Be Killed if He Doesn't Pay \$2,500. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

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New York, Dec. 31.—Friends of the Reverend Doctor John Peters, rector of St. Michael's Frotestant Episcopal Church, expressed great surprise yesterday over the story that Doctor Peters had been requested to pay \$500 in gold to avert the kidnapling of one of his young daughters.

No arrests were made in the case, and they were further surprised when it became known to-day that Doctor Peters has received other letters which threatened him with death if he failed to pay \$2,500 to a man who asserted that his business had been ruined by a crusade in which Doctor Peters is supposed to have been interested.

The person who is thought to be responsible for the threatening letters is the proprietor of a delicatessen store on the upper West Side. These little delicatessen stores do their principal business on Sunday mornings, and the recent crusade against doing business on Sunday has affected them more than any other of the tradesmen.

The police nor Doctor Peters seem to have much fear of the threats being carried out, but, at the same time, are taking all precautions to prevent auch.

#### PREDICTION OF PROSPERITY.

Vice President of Brazil Takes Hopeful View of Situation.

SPECIAL BY CABLE. SPECIAL BY CABLE.

Rio Janeiro, Brazil, via Galveston, Tex., December 31.—(Copyright, 1990, by the New York Herald Company.)—In view of the numerous problems now agitating humanity, it is very difficult to make any predictions as to the future, but it is safe to say new social systems will carry mankind toward prosperity.

Brazil will continue her friendly relations with the United States. Moreover, all international problems will be resolved by arbitration, increasing friendship among the nations.

ROSA E. SILVA.

Vice President of Brazil.

#### MOSQUITO FLEET SAILS.

Four Vessels, Including the Annapolis, Are on Way to Manila.

Washington, Dec. 31.—The Annapolls, Frolic, Wompatuck and Piscataqua, comprising what is known as the mosquito flect, sniled from Hampton Roads for Bermuda yesterday, on the way to Manila.

Transports Sail From Chinese Ports. Washington, Dec. 21.—According to cable advices received at the War Department this morning, the transport Port Stephens has left Nagasaki for Seattle and the transports Conemaugh, Frederic and West-minster have left the same port for San

# **EXCITED BROKERS** IN WHEAT PIT.

Last Day's Trading on 'Change Marked by Scenes of Wild

MILLIONS OF BUSHELS SOLD.

Excitement.

Speculators Round Out the Ceatury by a Frolic, in Which Hats Are Crushed and Pandemonium Reigns for Few Minutes.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 31.—Pandemonium broke see on 'change to-day ten minutes before Wheat traders were in the greatest whiri of excitement since the days of the Leiter corner, and the price was mounting a quarter and half cent at a bound toward 78 cents, when there was a sortic by the cash grain trade on the pit. Sample bugs of grain, seeds, flour, everything scumulated for days were poured into the pit by the whole cash trade on the east side of the hall. Nearly a thousand brokers, worked to the highest pitch of excitement by the greatest of bull markets, stood their and for a minute. Then, with their eyes blinded, cars and necks filled with grain and seeds, hats crushed by flying bogs, the whole crowd surged from the pit into the

There the roar of trading went on. Orders were filled by men who could hardly see who they were trading with

middle of the hall near the main entrance

hardly see who they were trading with. But they traded and kept on trading even after the closing bell declared the trading day and year ended.

May wheat reached 78 cents under such conditions, having advanced 4% cents in two days' trading. It has been many moons since the big wheat pit on 'change held such an excited crowd as when the opening bell tapped this morning. The jump of 2 cents on Saturday caused the country to flood the local trade with buying orders. There was a great scramble of brokers to fill these orders. No one could tell the fill these orders. No one could tell the first price. It was all the way from 15th to 76% cents.

White commission-houses had millions of

White commission-houses had millions of wheat to buy, there were hundreds in the local trade with quick profits, and they sold like mad. At least half a dozen big com-mission-houses filled buying orders for 1,-00,000 bushels each the first few minutes,

#### WILL ENTERTAIN TO-DAY.

Receptions by Washington Society Women Will Be in Order.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Washington, Dec. al.—All the Cabinet officials and their families will receive New Year's visitors to-morrow and will be assisted in the receptions by friends.

Mrs. Hitchcock will have with her Mrs. Eikins, Mrs. Fairbanks, Mrs. Thomas Ryan. Elkins, Mrs. Fairbanks, Mrs. Thomas Ryan, wife of the Assistant Secretary of the Interior; Mme. DeMeisnuer, Mrs. Selfridge, Mrs. Van Devanter, Mrs. Duell, Miss Cockrell, daughter of Senator Cockrell; Miss Lucy Kean, Miss Merriam, Miss Ernst, Miss Hunt, Miss Nott, Miss Lay, Miss Catlin, Miss McKittrick, Miss Scanlan of St. Louis and the Misses Hitchesek.

Louis and the Misses Hitchcock.

Doctor Dillinger of Galveston and his
wife and child are guests of Mrs. Fanc's B. Ward at 1111 Massachusetts avenue,

Northwest.

Mrs. Miles, wife of the General of the Army, whose reception ranks with that of the Cubinet officers, will have assisting her Mrs. Ludington, Mrs. Sternberg, Mrs. Gilmore, Mrs. Andrews, Miss Whitney, Mrs. Michler and Mrs. Moore, all of the army contingent; Miss Lizzie Sherman, daughter of the late General Sherman; Mrs. Stilson Hutchins, Mrs. Vanicar Black of Baitlmore, Miss Hoyt of New York, Miss Foraker, Miss Rochester, Miss Deering, the Misses Lieber, the Misses Greely, Miss Kathartne Ward, Miss Weston, Miss Hiddle and Mrs. Samuel Reber of New York.

Mrs. Samuel Reber of New York.

Miss Wilson, daughter of the Secretary of
Agriculture, will be assisted by Mrs. Daniel
Manning, Mrs. Thomas F. Walsh, Mrs.
Stanley-Brown, Mrs. Willis Moore, Mrs.
Fabyan of Chicago, Miss Gallaudet, Miss
Errol Cuthbert Brown and Miss Helen Bell.
The following Southwestern visitors are
registered at the hotels:
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Johnson-R. A. Smith, Kansas City.
St. James-G. W. Mitchell, Dallas, Tex.
Metropolitan-P. Martin, Vicksburg; Chas.
T. Alexander, Waco, and G. W. Waro,

# NEW SUPERINTENDENT.

E. J. Nally Takes the Place of Leander D. Parker, Resigned.

Chicago, Dec. M.—Leander D. Parker, general superintendent of the Postal Telegraph Company, has resigned and E. J. Nally, assistant general superintendent, has been appointed to the office. The resignation and appointment will take effect to-nerrow.

n.orrow.

The post is one which entails the management of all the wires, offices and business of the Postal Company went of Pennsylvania, north of New Orleans and east of Arizona.

Mr. Parker has held the position since 1833, and Mr. Nally has been his assistant since 1830. Mr. Parker's retirement was due to poor health.

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General Superintendent Nally was born in Philadelphia, April 11, 1909. He moved with his parents to St. Louis in 1898, commencing work in 1879, with about two years' intervening school life up to 1875, when he started with the Western Union Telegraph Company on September 1 of that year as messenger boy, and has not fost one day's wages since. His advance has been rapid. At one time he was the only all-night messenger boy in St. Louis, and while there were enough messages to keep him occupied at night, there was no great rush. Newspapers, now connected with direct wires leading to all news centers, then depended upon the delivery by messenger of their press dispatches, sheet by sheet.

He has seen the telegraph business grow, during the quarter of a century, from a compartively small volume to its present immense eggregate, and has especially been in touch with the extension and great growth in the South and West, through his connection with both companies.

#### BROKERS INDULGE IN FROLIC. Kick Footballs About Floor of Mer-

chants' Exchange. Brokers at the Merchants' Exchange wound up the year and the century by indulging in an old-time frolic. Owing to the strength and activity of the wheat market nothing out of the ordinary transpired until after 12.30 o'clock, as the brokers were too busy following the market to indulge in horse play. busy following the market to horse play.

Before I o'clock, however, W. Bill Archer, one of the members who is famous for his fish stories, appeared on the balcony and threw half a dozen footballs into the pit.

The effect was instantaneous and it seemed as if pandemonium had broken loose. Staid brokers vied with messenger boys in their efforts to kick the balls, and a number of electric light globes were broken. When the balls landed in the fountain those who attempted to get them were unceremonicusly thrown into the water. The sport was kept up until nearly 2 o'clock when the last ball became punctured, and the brokers withdrew from the floor.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Allany, N. Y., Dec. 31.—Albany hopes that the coming century will witness a continuance of the grand developments in all walks of science and mechanics and the professions that marked the last hundred years. JAMES G. BLESSING, Mayor. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Allanta, Ga., Dec. 31.—It should be the wish of every true American to see his half country push to the front of the nations of the world in every respect, but cautions and waterfulness should be the motto lest we depart too far from the principles and moorings that have made het great. May be continued to legitim stely grow.

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a Skit, "Sketch Factory."

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 31.—Joe Choynski, the prize fighter, is here arranging for his forthcoming venture in vaudeville. Charles W. Murphy, the well-known newspaper man and author, who succeeded Harry Weldon as sporting editor of the Enquirer, has written a thirty-minute sketch, entitled "Sketch Factory," for Choynski and his wife, nee Lutie Miller, who is a singer and actrees.

Owing to his engagements in this line. Choknski would not entertain any proposition for the preliminary at the Jeffries-mailin fight here in February.

united country, which is the best known to man, trusting and hoping that each of the inhabitants may have a happy and prosperous new year in this the beginning of our Twentieth Century, and that the Stars and Stripes, wherever planted, may continue to float over those under our protection until they shall become free and independent citizens, as are our people, and that they may become prosperous and contented, as is our nation.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Topeka, Kas., Dec. 31.—Topeka sends to

# "It certainly tastle sweet to me."

# PAUL GILMORE



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HENRY F. BENTE, City Distributer.

# TWENTIETH CENTURY JOYFULLY GREETED.

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have been larger in the last six months than during the corresponding months of last year, but the expenditures have grown faster than the receipts, and the surplus for the first six months of this fiscal year. The first six months of this fiscal year. This is due to the cost of the military expedition to China. Had it not been for this unexpected drain on the Treasury the current surplus would be larger than last year. There is nothing in the outlook to cause Secretary of the Treasury Gage to fear that his prediction of a surplus of \$50,000,000 should be added to the available cash balance, as was done under the system of bookkeeping in vogue before the cause Secretary of the Treasury Gage to fear that his prediction of a surplus of \$50,000,000 for the current fiscal year will

### NEW YEAR AND NEW CENTURY HAILED WITH WORDS OF CHEER AND GOOD WILL.

Indianapolis. Ind., Dec. 21.—Indianapolis greets the new year and the new century with pride in its material prosperity and its moral advancement; with pride in a devoted character, in which enterprise and progress and integrify and generosity are marked traits; with a domestic career and character that have gained for the city the reputation of being the most beautiful in the world—a city with abundant institutions to aid all to a proper opportunity in in the world—a city with abundant institu-tions to aid all to a proper opportunity in life; a public school system pronounced the educating press of the highest character. On behalf of the good people who inhabit this city I wish for the nation general progress and peace and good will town men. THOMAS TAGGART,

Mayor.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Hartford, Conn., Dec. 31.—Hartford sends
New Year and New Century greetings to
the people of the United States.

ALEXANDER HARBISON, Mayor.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

New Orleans, La., Dec. 31.—New Orleans
halls the destiny of our common country to
be first of all civilized nations in the new
century in the arts and sciences, as well
as in wealth and power. as in wealth and power.
PAUL CAPEVILLE, Mayor.
REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Pittsburg Pa., Dec. 31.—Pittsburg sends a New Year's greeting to all. May the coming century see an advancement in all that tends to make us better, happier and more prosperous; greater than that of the past century, without its trials and hard-

past century, without its trials and hardships. W. J. DIEHL, Mayor.
REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Cincinnati, G., Dec. R.—Cincinnati for
New Year's greeting sends this sentiment.
May the Twentieth Century perfect the
marvelous work of the Nineteenth; may
that which has been done for the honor of
the fing seem good to generations, that all
peoples and all tongues may rise and bless
the flag which Washington carried to victory and which has ever been the pledge
of liberty and the symbol of good will to
men. JULIUS FLEISCHMANN.
Mayor. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 21.—Boston wishes a happy new century. Let fruth and purity prevail, with justice to mankind. Let us be good Americans. Let us have American home rule, city, the State, the United States. Let us remember that America extends half way round the globe, that we ask no favors and that we know how to show mercy. Let an age of fiction be succeeded by an age of plain living and model truthfulness; let all boasting cease. Give screaming a rest. screaming a rest. THOMAS N. HART, Mayor.

SCICAMING A 1881.

STRUBLIC SPECIAL.

Minnespolis, Minn., Dec. II.—Minneapolis and the West send greetings and propose. The Union, one and indissoluble, now and forever." Our country enters the Twentieth Century heir to the greatest opportunities and responsibilities that have ever confronted a Republic. A free people and a free press will acquit themselves with honor and transmit to posterity a Republic as grand in principle as that founded by Washington.

JAMES GRAY, Mayor.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Buffalo, N. Y. Dec. 31.—Buffalo sends to
the people of the Western Hemisphere its
cordial good wishes and most hearty New
Year's greeting. May the marvelous progress of this country during the century
ending to-day be more than duplicated in
the century beginning to-morrow, and may
the development of the countries of the
Western Hemisphere which are to unite in
the Pan-American Exposition here to celebrate their achievements during the pea-

sions that marked the hast hundred years.

JAMES G. BLESSING, Mayor.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Raieigh, N. C., Dec. 31.—Raleigh sends her heartiest congratulations and best wishes to the people of our glorious and united country, which is the best known to man, trusting and hoping that each of the inhabitants may have a happy and prosperous new year in this the beginning of our Twentieth Century, and that the Stars and Stripes, wherever planted, may continue to float over those under our protection until they shall become free and independent citizens, as are our people, and that they may become prosperous and contented, as is our mation.

A. M. POWELL, Mayor.

iry, patriotism, equality before the law, brotherly love and true Christian charity, With these virtues always before us, the destiny of the ration is assured.

WALTER C. JONES, Mayor.
REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 21.—Lincoln sends a New Year's greeting, wishing that during the coming century every citizen of the great country will do his best to be content. Them peace and prosperity will as uninterrupted. H. J. WINNETT, Mayor.
REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Mobile, Ala., Dec. 31.—Mobile sends a New Year's greeting and the carnest wish that the prospecity of the country at large for the coming century may be such as to promised new.

T. S. FRI, Mayor.
REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 31.—Louisville says All hadl, Columbia: May har reign eternal and her dominion extend to the opressed of every land!

CHARLES P. WEAVER, Mayor.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Jacksonville, Fig. Dec. 21.—Tec.

CHARLES P. WEAVER, Mayor.

Jacksonville. Fiz., Dec. 21.—The empire city of Florida sends a cordial greeting. I can but wish increased happiness and property for the people all over our broad land; and may the close of the Twentieth Century witness the absolute and complete banishment of wars as a means of settling international disagreements.

J. E. T. BOWDEN, Mayor.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

San Francisco. Dec. 21.—The control of the control REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

San Francisco, Dec. 21.—The ends of the earth are welded together in good will tenight. We invite commerce in the name of our common country, and commerce not only confers prosperity, but is the best guarantee of pence. Let us gradually retail our troops from the Philippines, save our traditional principles, our national hopor and our soldiers lives, and insidentally the Constitution. This is not a fight for Americans to wage to the finish. My wish is that the New Year may er it.

JAMES D. PHEL N. Mayor.

# POPE LEO BEGINS THE NEW CENTURY BY CELEBRATING MASS AT ST. PETER'S

echoing dome of the mother church of the Christian world rang out a silvery salute. And the Sovereign Pontiff, the aged Pope Leo XIII, the pastoral staff of St. Peter in his hand, prostrated himself before the high altar, his sweet old voice audible only to those close to him, dedicating to the Eternal

Son of God, in the name of the Christian world, the new child of Time.

The Holy Father crossed himself, and every one of thousands kneeling there behind him opened the new century with the holy sign of the Catholic faith. As the Pope ascended the step to per-form the first sacrifice of the mass in the Twentieth Century, a burst of music from the gallery sang a Kyrie Eleison, written by Palestrina nearly 400 years ago. It was a wondrous congregation that worshiped there. Every Cardinal in Rome, Archbish-ops, Bishops, mitered Abbots, barefoot monks, priests from all over the world, the noble guards in their brass belimets, with the nodding horsehair plumes; the ancient Roman noblity, women in black

knelt reverently as the first Bishop of Christendom said mass. And when Leo gave the apostolic benediction at the close there were thousands who looked up at the pale, frail figure, almost transparent, against the myriad lights of the altar, knowing they would never se-

vells, pilgrims from a hundred lands, all

him again.

To-day the Holy Father sleeps. It was a trying ordeal for so old a man. He has done trying orders for so old a man. He has done the work for which he had reserved himself and he may say, as St. Simeon said 2,000 years ago: "Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace."

#### DANCED THE OLD YEAR OUT. End-of-Century Ball at Kirkwood Was Largely Attended.

The new century ball of the Kirkwood Fortnightly Club last night was attended by nearly all the prominent persons of Kirkwood and surrounding towns. All the arrangements had been perfected days in advance by the Executive Committee, which was composed of Messra, C. C. Colins, Ira E. Ricker, John B. Pitman, E. W. Knott, Jr., and J. Graham Whyte. The hall was profusely decorated with streamers of yellow and pale blue, and the stage, where the musicians were seated, was hedged with palms. Kirkwood and Webster Groves sent their belies and swains as representatives, and from all the hamlets round about came delegations, as well as from St. Louis.

Among those present were: Mesers and Mmes. C. C. Collins, Vaughin Hickman, Henry Farrington, T. E. Keiton, Ewall Buckner, Edward King, Charles King, Robert Hamilton, Frank Hickman, James L. Blair, George Taussig, Arthur Belt,

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R. Hearst.)—The bells of St. Peter's—and of every other church in Rome—gave a grand peal at midnight in welcome of the new-born Twentieth Century. As the bells crashed overhead a brazen welcome to the new-born child the great chorus of trumpets in the echolog dome of the mother church of the lock. Will Ricker, D. S. Brown, Clinton Rimball.

Mmes. S. G. Edwards. Will Burn, Jenkins, John Goed and John Pitman.

Misses Baith Bmith, Fannie McElroj, Mary Good, Emily Lycett, Mary Lycett, Louis Brown, Churchill Jones, Lotto Jones, Fontaine Jones, Katherine Biddy, Cecil Hough, Mattle Knott, Emeline Hough, Jessie Hough, Mauds Johnse, Judith Brown, Louise Whyte, Harriet Whyte, Kittle MacLaughlin, Georph Riggs, Florence Warner, Mattle Knott, Blanche McGinn, Lucile McCrellis, Any Bey, Lucy Breut, Blanche Read, Jame Wilkinson, Fannis Lawton.

Messra Will Hough, Arthur Breut, Misser, George Tracy, Ira Ricket, Lasalle Tracy, George Tracy, Ira Ricket, Davis Biggs, John Pitman, Frank Kingdon, Loraine Jones, James Ward, Robert Jodan, Robert Fornythe, Cornelius Harrey, Fritz Whyte, J. Grabam Whyte, E. W. Knott, Jr.; Charles McElroy, Albert Boy, Will Lawton, Hugh Matthews, Harry Roy, Percy Kingdon.

#### INVITED TO GO TO PARAGUAY. President Emilio Aceval Thinks Well of Americans.

Ascuncion, Paraguay, via Galveston, Telesconding, Paraguay, via Galveston, Telesconding, Paraguay, via Galveston, Telesconding, Paraguay, J. Twenty years ago I veliced the United States, that prodicing country and empire of civilization and commerce which inspires the admiration of the world. Since then that country has developed colonsal proportions, Many great cities, as New York, Chicago, St. Louis, Palindelphia, Boston and Baltimore, have trebled their population and riches. The development of these cities offers important reflection to thinkers who study the progress of prosperous and civilized nations.

I believe that the United States is beginning to be too densely populated. I, therefore, believe it is opportune and manifestly would be advantageous for Paraguay to foster American immigration into this country. Paraguay would receive with much pleasure those valuable American elements of prosperity which would contribute to the development of national wealth. I am resolved to occupy typself with this problem until the opportunity arrives.

EMILIO ACEVAL.

President of Paraguay. SPECIAL BY CABLE

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Beath of Mrs. Jane Bullard.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

St. Joseph, Mo., Dec. 31.—Mrs. Jane Boblard, wife of Reverend Henry Bullard, pactor of Westminster Presbyterian Church, died at 8 o'clock to-night from a complication of diseases. Mrs. Bullard was 50 years of age and had better a resident of St. Joseph for thirty years. Deceased inherited a large fortune in St. Louis several years ago.

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